

TERRORS OF FOREST **DISPELLED BY PHONE**

Canadian Lumber Companies Conmeet Their Offices With Lumber Camps and Sawmills.

PROMOTE A VAST INDUSTRY.

Men Are More Contented and of Threatened Log Jam Is Often Communicated in Time for Action.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Quebec, Quebec, Nov. 26.—Throughout the forests from the St. Johns to Vancouver lumber camps belonging to the same interests are connected by telephone, the lines running thence to the sawmills or wood pulp works at frontier towns, from which communication can be had even with the metropolis.

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It was formerly the custom for each lumber interest to maintain couriers, I ke the voyageurs of the Hudson Bay Com-pany. These hardy men, with knapsack, would traval twenty-five miles a day through the wilderness over rough forest baths.

paths.

Now the mill calls up each camp in turn at stated bours and receives reports and gives instructions to the foreman. Letters are read to men snowed up in the forest fifty or a hundred miles away and answers are dictated by the lumbermen to a stenographer, who transcribes them in the office and then mails them to their

The relative contentment among the men schich is established by this frequent communication is highly advantageous to the working force, and therefore to the

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The applications of the telephone to the operations of logging are alike useful. The lines are run up upon trees along the hanks of rivers, and telephones in sheltering boxes are attached to trees and connected to the line.

The peril of logging is the massing of the logs together at some narrow place in a turbulant stream and piling upon each other in a "jam." to which a contribution is made by every log floating down the river.

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The formation of a jam results from some obstacle and generally comes without warning. It requires great labor, fraught with peril, to move the logs from their position. It is frequently necessary to use dynamite, and much lumber is destricted by such explosions.

If the use of the telephone warning of the formation of a jam can be given by one of the men patrolling the banks, who includes to men up the river to stop the flow of logs at calm places, termed "that". It is an easy matter to break a small jam. Assistance can be obtained by the mention of the men points lower down the stream.

of this Letter from Geo. S. Beck, Wors-Out Man's Best Priend."

Dear Brother: Please give me your attention while the you of the Great Norve Food and Tonic that the your active the your active that and me years ago when I, like you, lacked the visual strength without which a person is a man in mame; and which has brought Strength, Vigor Visality to more than 60,000 Exhausted men I first started in business in this city six years This greatest of all Man's Remedies is This greatest of all Men's Remedies is BCE'S WORSER-WORKERS FOR MEN, syriad had wonderful cures has built for it much serious mail-order medical business in the world; to any man who is weak where perfect men are I want to say as a sincere friend, and on my honor as a man, that I do not believe there is so of Horvons Debility, Varicoccie, Kidney Ills, sating Old Age, or Men's Weakness of any kind orle (no matter what the cause, of how long play, or whether the man be old or young,) that Wenden-Workers will fail to cure easily and are a loss expense than any other remedy It by med at home, or at your work, one tablet at

men above are told through the telephone to release the logs at the "trip" and the stream of logs is resurred.

Under former conditions a larger number of men were employed and when a jam was begun it was necessary to send messengers one to three miles through the forest to direct the gangs to stop the flow of logs and to summon help from down the stream. Then after the jam had been broken second messengers must be sent up the stream to release the logs at the "trip.",

By telephonic communication the rate of sending logs down the stream is increased by the avoidance of delays.

Beyond this the use of the telephone renders log driving feasible on smaller rapid streams, where it was out of the question before.

ITALIAN GRAND OPERA ON A TEN-CENT SCALE.

Philadelphia Has a Unique Playbous Where One Man is Manager, Proprietor and Press Agent.

Philadelphia, Nov. 26.- 'Let us go and hear Italian grand opera," society will say this season, and society will go into the slums to hear grand opera this winter. In a little theater, improvised by knocking down the partition between two rooms and erecting a stage at one end, mimic grand opera will be given by a man who is the proprietor, stage manager, company and prompter in one. Many a theatrical manager would give much to be able to fetire into a back room when a play reaches his hands that pleases him and there fashion the actors and actresses to

This is the privilege of the proprietor of the mimic Grand Opera Theater in the Italian quarters. When he has settled in his mind the particular play with which he will regale his patrons he proceeds to manufacture the players with his own hands.

fit the parts

His knights and ladies he carves from blocks of wood; his jesters he provides by the same convenient process; his chorus he cuts out from any old piece of lumber that he happens to have lying around; his stage properties he fashions himself, and SPLENDID SCENIC EFFECTS. his scenery he paints as he wants it. Having cut out his company, given them

the proper makeup with the aid of several pots of paint and hung them on elastic lines, the proprietor of the Indian Grand Opera-House has nothing to do bu

and in the next warble in contraito, while in the scene following his versatility must show itself in a love ditty, rendered in soprano.

All the time he is causing his wooden fugures to speak or sing he is closely watching the figures as they prane back and forth, bow or kneel, or draw sword or lance in mortal combat. If he has his attention distracted for a moment he is apt to be putting honeyed words into the mouths of two knights who are engaged in the pleasing diversion of cutting each other's throats, or to infuse into a love scene the vitriolic excitement of a battle piece.

Admission to this unique playhouse costs in centa. All the plays to be given are standard dramas or operas, and no cheap melodramas will be tolerated. No language but Italian will be used at the theater. for that is the only language with which the leading man, the leading lady, the company and the chorus are familiar. If society trees of the plays society can find its way out at any stage of the performance, for there is no set time for the beginning or end of the play.

If the time for closing comes before the final act, then the proprietor rings down the curtain, announces that the performance will be taken up on the following night at the point at which it has just been broken off, puts the company to bed in its box and turns out the lights.

Parties will be especially gotten up this winter to visit the Indian Theater. The entire house can be bought for the price of a box at a first-class theater.

Following the performance it will be desirable to take a peep behind the scenes. The proprietor, who is not a little groun of his handiwork in fashioning his various companies, will take delight in showing his patrons how the play is run without the assistance of dissatisfies hirelings.

HOW THIS KENTUCKY WOMAN CAME TO BE CHOSEN HOSTESS

When the Blue Grass Commissioners to the World's Fair Reached a Deadlock in Selecting a Lady to Preside in the State Building, Mrs. Bertha Miller Smith Was Presented to Them-She Did Not Know the Purpose of the Presentation and Was Surprised by Her Election.



MRS. BERTHA MILLER SMITH .

the Kentucky World's Fair Commission and been at least conditionally pledged to vote for some other woman before her office, Mrs. Bertha Miller Smith of Richnond was finally selected as hostess of the pavilion of the Blue Grass State at the Exposition. On the second ballot Mrs. lith's name was dropped, but after she

Smith's name was dropped, but after she had met the members of the commission personally her name was again proposed and she was elected by an almost unanimous vote.

The task of selecting a hostess for the Kentucky building was a most difficult one for the members of the commission. Kentucky building was a most difficult one for the members of the commission. Kentucky had a reputation to sustain in two particulars—the beauty of its women and the hospitality of its people in general. The Blue Grass State has many beautiful women, and likewise many who also combine a charm of mainer and a gradousness in spirit which give an air of hospitality to all of their surroundings. The commission's duty was to find that woman who combined all of these qualities in the greatest degree, in order that Kentucky's reputation for its beautiful women and great hospitality might be fully maintained. The Commissioners are firmly convinced, from what has reached their ears, that they succeeded admirably in the selection of Mrs. Smith as we way to win a victory for her, sink has a way to win a victory for her, sink have a way to win a victory for her, shift have a way to win a victory for her, shift have a way to win a victory for her, shift have a way to win a victory for her, shift have a way to win a victory for her, shift have a way to win a victory for her, shift have a way to win a victory for her, shift have a way to win a victory for her, shift have a way to win a victory for her, shift have a way to win a victory for her proceeded to the meeting place, and introduced her to the members of the commission. Later another ballot was taken, and Mrs. Smith as w away to win a victory for her, shift have a way to win a victory for her, shift have a way to win a victory for her, shift have a way to win a victory for her, shift have a way to win a victory for her, shift have a way to win a victory for her, shift have a way to win a victory for her and the cause of the cause of Mrs. Smith saw a way to win a victory for her, shift have combine a charm of mainer and a graclousness in spirit which give an air of
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position of hostess of the State pavillon.

One stenographer in the office of the secretary at Louisville was kept busy for
two months answering communications on
the subject. However, when the time
came for the election of a woman to pre-

chancel and all. A long row of stalactites which reach from the lofty ceiling to the floor resemble an immense pipe organ.
The stalactites vary from six inches to an inch in diameter and when struck a heavy blow give forth a deep, sonorous sound that fills the cavern with weird harmony. The tone is of singular sweetness and when the blow is repeated several times the cathedral is flooded with melody.

WONDERFUL CAVERN FOUND IN MONTANA

Lime Spur Hollow Thought to Be Greater Than the Mammoth Cave.

Sound of Falling Water and a

Grand Opera-House has nothing to do but memorize the play, including the songs and the music. It is essential to the success of the performance that he commit the play to memory, for all the speaking and singing is done by him alone.

When he swings his company before the dazzled eyes of the audience he has no opportunity to consult a book; his entire attention is taken up by the movements of the little wooden figures that are dancing before the footlights, and to fit the words and the songs to the appropriate moment of delivery taxes his efforts sufficiently without the handicap of half-learned pairs.

The proprietor must possess a fiexible voice. He is called upon to hurl forensic thunderbolt at the villain of the play one moment and the next address pleading accents to that same villain on behalf of the beauty in distress; he must sing a song in a startling tenor during one scene and in the next warble in contraito, while in the scene following his versatility must show itself in a love ditty, rendered in soprano.

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marked with waves and ripples of whit incrustations, while the floor is strew with flakes that have fallen from the cell

with flakes used ing and sides.

By carefully observing the route the exploring party was able to penetrate to the depths of the mountain. Sounds of a the depths of the mountain are colored to columns.

waterfall were heard that re-echoed among the stately columns.

Another decline was encountered, too steep to scale without ropes. A stone was thrown down into the blackness below and after a long interval a splash was heard, indicating the presence of water. A newspaper was lighted and cast down. It fluttered and was consumed before reaching the bottom. A coll of rope was fastened to a stalagmite and cast down without touching bottom. Then the exploring party realized that further equipment would be necessary before passing this obstacle.

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It was 7 o'clock in the morning when the party started, and it was nearly 10 at night when it again reached the mouth of the cave.

FIGHTS IN DARK WITH DOG. Policeman Bitten in Desperate

Battle Under House.

cathedral is flooded with melody.

The passage leads from one chamber to another until another descent begins. This time the pathe leads down a steep incline to a depth of 800 feet below the mouth of the cave. Here a wonderfully beautiful sight meets the gaze. On every side are walls of milky whiteness and oddly fashloned lacework of stalactific formation. The ceilings are high above. Grottoes of bewlidering beauty are on every hand. On one side one hears the rush of water. A stream of cold water six inches in diameter gushes from a hanging wall and splashes on the floor. The water is only a few degrees above the freezing point. A strong current of fresh air rushes up from down below and the exploring party seeks to discover the source. The air is bracing and seems charged with ozone just as in the Mammoth Cave of Kentucky. After breathing the air for a time fatigue is forgotten. New York, Nov. 28.-In a desperate battle in the dark between a policeman and a dog in Harlem, the animal was killed and the policeman's hand was severely bitten. It is feared the dog may have had rables and the policeman's wound was cauterized and will be carefully watched by surgeons. William Mash lives in a shanty at No. 60 West One and Forty-first street, where he cultivates a small patch of ground. For great, shaggy St. Bernard. Children loved the dog and he was kindness itself. But the dog began to growl strangely. His Is forgotten.

Planging down another long decline, the wonders increasing at every step, the party encounters a curious phenomenon. A distant rumbling is heard in a far-off region. It gathers in volume until a great sweep of wind blows out the lights. The air rushes upward until it finds outlet above The rumbling is surmised to be vibration of the mighty stalactites, but whence master tried to quiet the animal, but without success, and Nero was finally driven out of the house.

He lay at the door for two hours, refusing to let anybody out or in. Then the dog rushed away and a trail of dead cats and chickens marked his progress before



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he got home, half an hour later. Meantime Mash had called Policeman Thomas Larkin, of the East One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Street Station, and ordered him to shoot Nero at sight, "Not for mine!" Larkin said.

"That dog's likely to bite some kid's head off. I want him killed, and you better shoot him or take the consequences," declared Mash.

Further argument was stopped by the sudden appearance of the dog. With an angry growl he rushed at Larkin. Larkin had scarcely time to draw his revolver and fire. The bullet nipped the dog's ear and served only to enrage him. Larkin tumped served only to enrage him. Larkin jumped aside and fired again, hitting Nero in the left fore leg. breaking it. With a howl the dog fied under the shanty, which is raised about two and a half feet from the ground.

Larkin decided that he would have to finish the job and pluckily crawled under the shanty. It was very dark, but over fin one corner the dog's eyes could be seen.

Larkin crawled as closely as he dared and fired. He again missed his mark, and the wounded dog seized the policeman's right hand. Then followed a fight that Larkin declared he will never forget.

"I was terribly handicapped," he said. "I was afraid the dog would let go of my hand and get me by the throat. The strength of the maddened creature was something awful. I don't know how I did it, but somehow I managed to get my gun into my left hand and fire the last shot. It did not finish him, but he loosened a little, and, using the gun for a club, I beat him off."

Larkin then got into the open again, and, borrowing a revolver from another policeman, finished Nero.

Held Baby; Has It for Keeps.

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REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Chicago, Nov. 25.—"Won't you hold baby
for just a moment?" said a young woman
seated at the side of Mrs. Hugh Schererof
Sodus, Mich., in the waiting-room of the
Graham & Morton Transportation Company. The motherly arms of Mrs. Scherer
er at once opened to receive the infant.
The mother walked away and Mrs. Scherer still holds the child.

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